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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

STB Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 587X)

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.--ABANDONMENT  
EXEMPTION--IN CLARK COUNTY, IN

Decided: February 26, 2002

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT) filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F--Exempt Abandonments to abandon a .20-mile line of railroad between milepost B-40.60 and milepost B-40.80 at Charlestown, in Clark County, IN. Notice of the exemption was served and published in the Federal Register on April 27, 2001 (66 FR 21194-95).

By decision served May 25, 2001, the proceeding was reopened at the request of the Board's Section of Environmental Analysis (SEA) and the exemption was made subject to the condition that CSXT retain its interest in the line until completion of the section 106 process of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. 470f. The Indiana Historic Preservation Officer has informed SEA that there are no structures or archaeological artifacts on the line eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Therefore, SEA recommends that the historic preservation condition imposed in the May 25, 2001 decision be removed. Accordingly, the proceeding will be reopened and the previously imposed historic preservation condition will be removed.

This decision will not significantly affect either the quality of the human environment or the conservation of energy resources.

It is ordered:

1. Upon reconsideration, the section 106 historic condition imposed in the decision served May 25, 2001, is removed.

2. This decision is effective on its service date.

By the Board, David M. Konschnik, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Vernon A. Williams  
Secretary